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Martina Wagner Red Wing Public Schools 2451 Eagle Ridge Dr Red Wing MN 55066

Hi, Martina,

On behalf of all our Greater Minnesota students and educators, MREA thanks Red Wing Public Schools for its membership that helps us actively engage with legislators and state officials to address E-12 funding and policy issues.

Red Wing Public Schools's renewed membership for FY2023-24 is essential to MREA's advocacy that impacts all our students.

Your Year-Round Voice for Education

As your voice at the Capitol, MREA works to keep your legislators and policy officials informed of the impacts of their decisions. During the recent historic legislative session MREA achieved rural education legislative success, including:

- Increasing the basic education formula to allow the most flexibility serving students
- Aligning the basic education formula with an inflationary index to secure predictable funding
- Expanding state aid to buy down special education cross-subsidies
- Check out all our 2023 Accomplishments on the enclosed flyer.

Red Wing Public Schools can count on MREA to work for you throughout the year, too, with:

- Webinars that clarify unemployment insurance changes, truth-in-taxation requirements, and more
- Professional development and networking opportunities at our Greater Education Summit
- Rural educator and school program awards that celebrate the positive impacts of education

Greater Minnesota Is Greater Together

While we continue assessing the outcomes of the 2023 legislative session, we know we are greater when we all work together as the Voice for Greater Minnesota Education. Please send your renewal invoice, dues, and updated information by July 15 to ensure our rural voice remains impactful.

Best wishes for a summer of well-being,

James O. Ferden, MREA Board President Board Chair, Win-E-Mac Schools

Bob Indihar, MREA Executive Director

